

# **Exhibit 7**

## **Emails with Insurer**

Charles,

The rates we agreed upon yesterday are approved:

Your hourly rate: \$575

Associates: \$380

Paralegals: \$175

I'll be working on the travel time issue. Meanwhile, you and Joe will be working on setting up a system to submit your bills electronically to Legal Solutions Suites. I'll inquire about that on my end also, but I do not foresee any issues.

Annamarie

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**From:** Haught, Annamarie D. <[ahaught@intactinsurance.com](mailto:ahaught@intactinsurance.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 08, 2024 7:31 AM

**To:** [charles@bundrenlaw.net](mailto:charles@bundrenlaw.net)

**Cc:** [midwestjim@charter.net](mailto:midwestjim@charter.net); [jimhoft@gmail.com](mailto:jimhoft@gmail.com); [jwhoft@gmail.com](mailto:jwhoft@gmail.com); John C. Burns  
<[john@burns-law-firm.com](mailto:john@burns-law-firm.com)>

**Subject:** RE: [E!] - RE: secure email FW: Ruby Freeman and Wandrea Moss, Plaintiffs v. James Hoft, Joseph Hoft, and TGP Communications LLC d/b/a THE GATEWAY PUNDIT, 0AB349402

Mr. Bundren,

As I stated in my earlier email of today, here is the email I thought I sent on 1/2/24.

We have reviewed the proposed retainer agreement. As we advised Mr. Burns, we preliminarily approved the insureds' retention of your firm subject to approval of hourly rates and an agreement to submit bills electronically to Legal Solutions Suites (see attached LSS instruction letter) and abide by the attached Outside Case Handling Guidelines. As an initial matter, the insureds will be retaining your firm and Intact does not sign retainer agreements. As for the proposed hourly rates, Intact pays normal and customary rates for this type of litigation. We are mindful this is a declining balance policy and propose that we pay your firm the same rates as current defense counsel, Randazza Legal Group, PLLC. Those rates are: \$450 for partners, \$380 for associates, and \$175 for paralegals.

Finally, the retainer agreement conflicts with the attached Guidelines; to the extent that such a conflict exists, the Guidelines will prevail in this case.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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**From:** [charles@bundrenlaw.net](mailto:charles@bundrenlaw.net) <[charles@bundrenlaw.net](mailto:charles@bundrenlaw.net)>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2023 4:07 PM  
**To:** Haught, Annamarie D. <[ahaught@intactinsurance.com](mailto:ahaught@intactinsurance.com)>  
**Cc:** [midwestjim@charter.net](mailto:midwestjim@charter.net); [jimhoft@gmail.com](mailto:jimhoft@gmail.com); [jwhoft@gmail.com](mailto:jwhoft@gmail.com);  
[charles@bundrenlaw.net](mailto:charles@bundrenlaw.net)  
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Thank you.

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**From:** Haught, Annamarie D.  
**Sent:** Fri, 22 Dec 2023 20:02:17 +0000  
**To:** William Charles Bundren  
**Cc:** Jim Hoft, Jim Hoft, Joe and Jim Hoft GATEWAY PUNDIT  
**Subject:** secure email FW: Ruby Freeman and Wandrea Moss, Plaintiffs v. James Hoft, Joseph Hoft, and TGP Communications LLC d/b/a THE GATEWAY PUNDIT, 0AB349402

Mr. Bundren,

Thank you for the email and the proposed retainer agreement. We will review and get back to you.

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**From:** William Charles Bundren <[charles@bundrenlaw.net](mailto:charles@bundrenlaw.net)>

**Sent:** Thursday, December 21, 2023 8:16 PM

**To:** Haught, Annamarie D. <[ahaught@intactinsurance.com](mailto:ahaught@intactinsurance.com)>; Jim Hoft  
<[midwestjim@charter.net](mailto:midwestjim@charter.net)>; Jim Hoft <[jimhoft@gmail.com](mailto:jimhoft@gmail.com)>; Joe and Jim Hoft GATEWAY  
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**Subject:** [E!] - ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL WORK  
PRODUCT MENTAL IMPRESSION COMMUNICATION. Re: Ruby Freeman and Wandrea  
Moss, Plaintiffs v. James Hoft, Joseph Hoft, and TGP Communications LLC d/b/a THE  
GATEWAY PUNDIT, Defendant. Case No. 2122-CC-...

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Re: *Ruby Freeman and Wandrea Moss, Plaintiffs v. James Hoft, Joseph Hoft, and TGP Communications LLC d/b/a THE GATEWAY PUNDIT, Defendant.* Case No. 2122-CC-09815-01, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS CITY, MISSOURI TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT.

Re: Insurance Policy Number: MEP-25081-21

Renewal of: MEP -23005-20

Insurer: ONE  
BEACON PROFESSIONAL  
INSURANCE,

6800 College Blvd., Suite 350, Overland  
Park, KS 66211.

Underwriter: Atlantic  
Specialty Insurance Company  
("Underwriter"), 150 Royall Street,

Canton, MA 02021

Insurance policy description: Media Advantage Policy

Named Insured: TGP  
Communications, LLC, 5105 Lindell  
Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63108.

Account No. 199908

Dear Jim, Joe, and Annamarie:

Attached please find an executed copy of BUNDREN LAW GROUP, PLLC'S retainer agreement with respect to Bundren Law representation of Defendants in the above referenced Litigation and payment of attorney's fees and expenses by the Insurer.

If the agreement meets with your approval, please execute the agreement, and return it to my attention by email.

Annamarie, are you authorized to sign the retainer agreement on behalf of the insurer? If not, please advise me of the person who will be signing the retention agreement for the insurer, and their title.

Thank you.

Wm. Charles Bundren, Esq.

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John 3:16

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